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EVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1A

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REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. The following troops and vehicles from the Neue Infanterie Kaserne in Neustrelitz were loaded in September:

2 September: 6 JS tanks [REDACTED] 3 T-34 tanks and 25X1C
several workshop trucks [REDACTED]3 September: 6 JS tanks [REDACTED] and 4 T-34 tanks including
25X1C [REDACTED]4 September: 6 T-34 tanks [REDACTED] 2 jeeps, 1 workshop
truck, 5 trucks [REDACTED] and troops wearing red-bordered
black epaulets on 9 boxcars. The train left toward a southerly direction.¹
25X1C2. At 2:30 p.m. on 2 September, a radio communication exercise was observed
about 1 km south of the Tangerhuette railroad station. Ten radio trucks
25X1C [REDACTED] were identified.² About 20 T-34 tanks were loaded25X1C and side-tracked at the Wolmirstedt railroad station at 4 p.m. The turret
numbers were covered.³ About 12 T-43 tanks [REDACTED] crossed
25X1C the road bridge in Magdeburg toward a westerly direction at 4 a.m. on 4
September and T-34 tanks [REDACTED] crossed the same bridge toward an
easterly direction at 8:30 a.m. on 7 September and returned at 6 p.m.
the same day.⁴3. From 1 to 3 September, Soviet motorized units were detrained at the
Pasewalk railroad station. The units departed toward an easterly
direction, allegedly toward the Oder River line. Tank units bivouacked
in the area of Loecknitz. [REDACTED] the units which were 25X1X
unloaded in Pasewalk and those which bivouacked near Loecknitz departed
toward an undetermined direction.⁵

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1. [REDACTED] Comment.

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[REDACTED] it is probable that the three trains carried tank units of the 1st Mecz Div which transferred from Doeberitz to Neustrelitz for short-term practices at the end of August. Other sources reported the return of these units at the beginning of September. [REDACTED]

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. The assignment [REDACTED] cannot be determined. It is assumed, however, that the radio communication exercise was held by signal communication units of the Third Shock Army or of the Third Gds Mecz Army.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. Possibly, a train with tank details of the Eighth Gds Army.

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4. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] the 19th Gds Mecz Div and, thus, indicate that units of the division were still in Magdeburg, presumably in the Herrenkrug-Anger Kaserne, at the beginning of September. [REDACTED]

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5. [REDACTED] Comment. The information checks with observations [REDACTED] who stated that, from about 28 August to 3 September, a command post exercise which extended toward the west-southwest and involved also units of the Third Shock Army which had been unloaded in Pasewalk was conducted in the Pasewalk-Angerruende area. The units of the Third Shock Army possibly bivouacked in the Loecknitz area, especially [REDACTED]

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